

Kahurangi school



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# Mon 28 & Tues 29 July

**Parent Teacher Interviews** Remember school finishes at 12:30pm on Tuesday. It's also not too late to book an

# Wed 30 July

**Teacher Only Day** No school for the children!

# Fri 1 August

**School Assembly** Hosted by the class that learn with Emma M.

Keep informed See the full list of key dates on the last page.

KIA ORA FROM KYRAN

## Naumai e te whānau o te kura Kahurangi.

At Kahurangi School, we're lucky to be part of a village that shows up in all sorts of ways for our tamariki and I want to take a moment to acknowledge it.

Whether you're helping out on a trip, turning up to school sport to cheer on the sidelines, involved in Kahurangi Whānau, lending your skills or simply showing up with a smile, every gesture, every act of support matters. It also builds a school culture where our tamariki (and staff) know they are seen, backed and cared for.

Some of you coach or manage sports teams, supervise at swimming, or volunteer your mornings to do road patrol. Others help out at Breakfast Club, serve on the Board, donate to families in need or pass on your children's outgrown clothing or spare togs. There are whanau who quietly ask if anyone needs help or who send a kind email of support to our kaiako. Honestly, it all counts!

Please know these contributions, both big and small, help us do so much more than we ever could alone. They create a 'richer' school with better experiences and a stronger sense of belonging for everyone. Our staff and I are incredibly grateful to all of you who give time, energy and support to Kahurangi.

But this is also an invitation. You don't need to help every week to be involved. If that's your thing, ka pai. Sometimes it's simply about being present, replying to a notice, checking in with your child's teacher, coming along to a parent-teacher interview, noticing a teachers effort or asking, "Do you need a hand with that?"

And if this year is just too full on for your whanau, whether it's work, home life, or just needing to protect your own energy, please know that's completely okay too

(honestly). My message isn't about making anyone feel they're not doing enough. It's just a reminder that there are many ways to support our tamariki and kura and all of them matter.

To those of you who've already offered your tautoko, and to those who are wondering if they might, thank you. We see you. We appreciate you. And we genuinely couldn't do this without you.

Ngā mihi maioha, Kyran Smith Tumuaki



Anika handing out 'Player of the Day' awards to two Year 5/6 players after Saturday's netball games.

















We've had a lovely group of new tamariki start with us recently and we're so excited to welcome them into our school whānau.

A big hello to our newest 5-year-olds: Hosea, Bekkr, Alfie, Lucy and Amelia P. Turning 5 and starting school is such a special milestone - we hope each of you have a brilliant start and feel right at home here.

Hosea and his whānau are new to our kura.

Bekkr joins his older brother Alfvin who's already learns with us.

Alfie has started school alongside his big brother Tom.

Lucy is the very first in her whānau to come to Kahurangi too.

Amelia P and her whānau are also brand new to our school!

We also want to give a very warm welcome to Amelia B and her whānau who have come all the way from South Africa to make Aotearoa home.

And finally, a shout out to Markus who has joined the class that learns with Claire. Markus and his whanau have moved all the way from Gore to be here.

We're so glad to have you all, and your whanau, as part of our school. If there's ever anything you're unsure about, please don't hesitate to ask. We're here to help and keen to make sure you feel right at home.

## Staff Changes – Haere rā and Nau mai

After many years at Kahurangi, Meta Beyers will be finishing up at in a few weeks.

Meta has been with us since the very beginning — one of the original, members of our teaching team when the school first opened.



Over the years, she's taught across multiple year levels, always bringing a calm, thoughtful approach and a deep commitment to our tamariki. More recently, she's worked part-time, but her mahi hasn't been any less appreciated.

Meta's kindness, caring values and steady, calm presence have been a constant in our kura. We're incredibly grateful for everything she's contributed over the past twelve years to our tamariki, staff and kura and we wish her all the very best for what comes next. Ngā mihi nui ki a koe, Meta. You'll be so missed.



At the same time, we're really happy to welcome **Melody Holmes** as the teacher of our newly opened classroom. In our last pānui, we shared that a new class would be opening this term to make space for the growing number of five year olds starting.

Melody isn't exactly new to our kura as her own tamariki, Oli and Phoebe learn with us, so we've known her as a parent for quite some time. She's also been in and out of classrooms, stepping in to relieve when teachers are away. However, this is the first time she's taking on a class of her own here and we're so pleased to have her on board.



# Missed booking a Parent Teacher meeting? You've still got time 😃

### How to book

- Log in to the HERO app
- Click the 'School Booking icon' which will appear on the home page
- Click 'Manage bookings'
- Choose the time slot that suits you best from the available slots that are green
- Click confirm















# **School life...**

On the last day of Term 2 our school choir took part in Sing Up Day 2025 for the very first time, joining thousands of schools around the world in a global celebration of waiata and connection. Tamariki performed this year's Sing Up anthem to our junior school and recorded their performance to be included in the official 2025 DigiChoir video. It was a special moment, seeing our own choir become part of something much biggersinging alongside tamariki and rangatahi from all over the world. We look forward to sharing the video with you when it's published.









Last week we held a little ceremony to celebrate 10 of our five year olds who were moving out of our new entrant class with Emma 'up' to the next class with Melody. The children enjoyed this ceremony and it's been just one of of the many things that has supported them to make this transition.

## **Term 3 Learning Topics**

When your tamaiti says they learnt "nothing" at school, we promise that's not the case! To help lift the lid on what's really been happening, we're sharing this term's learning topics. We hope it makes it easier to spark some learning chats at home.

### JUNIOR SCHOOL (Years 0-3)



**Persuasive Writing** 



'Kaitiaki Ako – Guardians in Action' Drama



Taha Tinana - Te Reo Māori



Swimming and then athletics (wks 7-10)

Get Fire Wise - Health

### SENIOR SCHOOL (Years 4-8)



**Persuasive Writing** 



Big ball skills (weeks 1-5) and athletics (wk 6-10)



**Digital Technology** 



Te Reo Māori - Ngā reremahi (active sentences)



Dance - Better when I'm dancin!



Health - Online Safety

Unlike other subjects, Maths and Reading don't follow a single set topic. Instead, our kaiako integrate a range of strands and contexts as they go.















# Periods are a fact of life for half the population. Period.



Thanks to a government initiative which started some years ago, pads and tampons - regular and super - are available to our girls for free and are allowed to take enough for their whole cycle.

### How can our girls access the products?

They just need to ask one of our staff that they trust or at the office.

If you know your daughter is shy you're welcome to make contact with us on her behalf and we can give her some discretely or you can come and collect them for her.

We have loads so please don't be shy!



A big thank you to all our whānau who donated togs and towels we now have a great supply on hand to lend or give to anyone who needs them.

# Kahurangi School Board Elections keen to learn more?

Thinking about standing for the Board or just curious about what it involves?

Come along to our drop-in session:

### Wednesday 30 July, 6-7pm, School Library

Chat with current members and get a feel for the role.

Or email or chat with Kyran if you'd like to be connected with someone for a quick phone korero.

### Nominations close Wednesday 6 August at noon.

More info at schoolboardelections.org.nz

Ngā mihi nui to **Brian** (one of our awesome dads) and Caleb for surprising us with a brand new basketball hoop chain. Our tamariki love it and it's already getting plenty of use!



# Kahurangi Whānaux

All Kahurangi whānau welcome

# WEDNESDAY 6TH AUGUST FROM 7PM IN BROADWAY

Kahurangi Whānau invite all Kahurangi School whānau to attend this hui to discuss school matters, concerns and upcoming events.

Kyran will also be attending the hui and it's a great opportunity meet our principal and other whānau.

Kahurangi Whānau plays an important role in providing experiences, opportunities and resources for our tamariki to flourish.

Please contact Preston for more info kahurangifriends@gmail.com



Parakuihi / breakfast is Mon, Tues & Fri mornings in Broadway from 8am.

### KIA ORA!

KAHURANGI BREAKFAST has dropped back to three days per week. **MONDAY, TUESDAY & FRIDAY!** 

# WE NEED YOU!

### NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This service is only possible with the tautoko/support from our amazing Kahurangi whānau. If you might be volunteer-curious, swing by Broadway (school hall) Monday, Tuesday or Friday mornings to see how much fun we have feeding our tamariki.

### NGĀ MIHI

For more information Kylie kahurangibreakfastclub@gmail.com Emily **0274282648** 



















# What's coming up

### **Monday 28 July**

Student Learning Conversations

### **Tuesday 29 July**

Junior School Swimming

Student Learning Conversations

Early 12:30pm finish.

### Wednesday 30 July

**Teacher Only Day** 

### No school for the tamariki!

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Information session for those keen to know what's involved in being a Board member?

Drop in between 6-7pm.

### Friday 1 August

Spellathon Information coming home

### **Tuesday 5 August**

Junior School Swimming and Kahurangi School Board Mtg

### **Wednesday 6 August**

Nominations close for Board **Elections** 

12noon

### Kahurangi Whānau Hui

7pm

See page 4 for more information.

### **Tuesday 12 August**

**Junior School Simming** 

### **Wednesday 13 August**

**Eastern Zone Netball** Tournament

### **Friday 15 August**

### **School Assembly**

Hosted by the class that learn with Grant

2:15pm in Broadway

Whānau are always welcome!

### **Wednesday 20 August**

### **School Photos**

Information will be sent home closer to the time.





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# INTRODUCTION TO SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS - ONLINE

Every three years all public schools in Aotearoa hold elections for their School Boards. This is going to happen again in 2025.

The School Board is a key part of our kura because they do a lot of important things behind the scenes that while they may not be visible, are really important to keeping our kura running. Our School Board write our strategic plan, consult with our community about things that matter, make sure our finances are being spent wisely and ensure we are giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi within our kura. Our board is made up of five parent representatives, the Principal, and a staff representative elected by the staff.

The Board needs to appoint a Returning Officer who is responsible for the running of the election. We have appointed Schooled Election Pilot as the Returning Officer for our election, and for the election to be provided online. They have been assisting schools with elections for over 20 years and have been the only election provider accredited by the Ministry of Education to provide online election services since online elections started in 2022. Important things like the nomination and voting forms will be sent to you by email directly by Schooled Election Pilot. If we don't have an email address for you, Schooled Election Pilot will send these out to you by post.

There are a lot of rules around School Board elections that need to be followed. The main ones are the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022. Your name and contact details have been provided to Schooled Election Pilot to enable them to deliver elections services for our kura as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Kahurangi School only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation.

If you have any questions about the election process, the best people to talk to are the team at Schooled Election Pilot. You can contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or email <a href="mailto:election@electionpilot.nz">election@electionpilot.nz</a>

We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process. Ourelection date is Wednesday 10 September 2025.











